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The Egrants system user guide has step-by-step instructions for accessing and using the Egrants online system. The guide is posted on the grants page of the WEM website: http://emergencymanagement.wi.egrants.us/filecabinet/egrants-system-user-guide.pdf

Online Help is available throughout the Egrants application process. Once you have started an application, look for the HELP button in the top right corner of the screen. Page-specific instructions can be found there.

Grant Announcement Summary

Grant Title: WEM Mission Support Position 2014

Description: This grant will provide funding for a position in the WEM Bureau of Planning and Preparedness. The position will provide mission support to systems the agency uses including Esponder, EOC management software, and credentialing.

Opportunity Category: Limited Eligibility

Important Dates:

Application Due Date: September 5, 2014

Project Start Date: October 1, 2014
Project End Date: August 31, 2015

Anticipated Funding Amount: As approved by the WEM Funding Advisory Committee \$77,000 is available for this grant.

Match/Cost Sharing Requirement: None

Eligibility: Only WEM Bureau of Planning and Preparedness is eligible to apply for this grant.

Eligible Expenses: Funding may be used for personnel, benefits, travel, supplies and indirect.

All expenses must be new and cannot replace existing state or local government funding. Substitution of existing funds with federal grants (supplanting) will be the subject of monitoring and audit. Violations may result in a range of penalties, including suspension of current and future funds under this program, suspension or debarment from federal grants, repayment of monies provided under a grant, and civil and/or criminal penalties.

WEM Mission Support Position 2014

Program Description

WEM will provide grant funds for a position in the Bureau of Planning and Preparedness to provide user support for the Esponder (EOC management software) and Wisconsin Credentialing Asset Management System (WICAMS). The position will work closely with other WEM staff and the Esponder system developer to track use and suggest improvements to the software, and to develop training materials.

Submit Applications Using Egrants

Applications must be submitted through the Egrants online grants management system. If you have never used Egrants before, you will need to register for access to the system. To register online, go to http://register.wisconsin.gov/AccountManagement/ and complete the 'self registration' process.

Authorization to access Egrants can take several days depending on registration activity. The WEM help desk is open Monday-Friday 7:30am-4pm if you need assistance. (Please note: If you register outside of these hours, access may not be approved until the next business day.) Once your Egrants access has been approved, you may begin your online grant application.

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Application Components

Through Egrants, you will provide WEM with detailed information about your project that will be used to make a funding decision. Questions on what is expected in each section can be directed to Michael Jordan at (608) 242-3335 or at Michael.Jordan@wi.gov.

1. Main Summary

This page asks for information about your agency and the individuals responsible for the application and grant award. There are many required fields on this page so if you encounter problems, please check online help by clicking the floating HELP button. Please note: When identifying individuals involved in this grant, you may not list the same person as project director and financial officer. The financial officer is the individual responsible for financial activities in your organization while the project director will be overseeing project operations.

In the Brief Project Description text box, please describe your project in 150 words or less. A suggested format is included for your convenience:

"Funds will be used by the (your agency name and others involved in the project) to (describe what funds will be used for and who will be involved). The (what equipment, training, project, pilot, etc.) will (describe the specific goals you hope to achieve – how will the project or equipment improve safety in Wisconsin?) [If appropriate, add which area(s) of the state will benefit]"

Responses to this section will be used on the WEM website, cited in WEM reports and could be mentioned in press releases. Plain language that clearly describes the intent of the project is most effective.

2. Approval Checklist

Answer Yes, No, or N/A (not applicable) to each question.

3. Performance Measures

Please open this section and change the page status to Complete; then SAVE the page. Performance Measures will be identified and collected during post-award reporting rather than through this funding application process."

4. Budget Detail

Complete a project budget using the following categories. For each category used, enter a justification that describes how the items in that category will be used during the course of the grant period. It is important that you include specific details for each budget line item, including cost calculations.

<u>Personnel</u>: Provide salary information for non-contractual employees that will be funded through this grant, including overtime. List each position by title and name of employee, if available. Show the annual salary rate and the percentage of time to be devoted to the project. Compensation paid for employees engaged in grant activities must be consistent with that paid for similar work within the applicant organization. Only personnel costs of the agency applying for the grant funds should be included under "personnel."

Employee Benefits: Employee benefits for grant-funded personnel include FICA, Unemployment Compensation, Health Insurance, etc. and amounts budgeted should be based on actual known costs or an established formula. Employee benefits are for the personnel listed in the budget and only for the percentage of time devoted to the project. Employee benefits on overtime hours are limited to FICA, Workers' Compensation, and Unemployment Compensation.

<u>Travel/Training</u>: Any travel and/or training costs associated with the funded project. Only actual expenses will be reimbursed. All reimbursements will be at current state rates that are subject to change. Current rates for in-state travel at the time of this announcement include:

- Mileage: \$0.51/mile
- Lodging: Maximum \$70/night (\$80/night for Milwaukee, Waukesha or Racine County)
- Meals: \$8/breakfast (leaving before 6 a.m.); \$10/lunch (leaving before 10:30 a.m. and returning after 2:30 p.m.); \$20/dinner (returning after 7 p.m.); \$5/breaks

(Please note: Costs will only be reimbursed after submission of an event agenda and attendance list. Travel and training for contracted employees does <u>not</u> go in this section. These expenses should be itemized under "Contractual.")

<u>Supplies and Operating Expenses</u>: Includes consumables such as paper, stationery, postage, and software. Also includes operating expenses such as rent and utilities. Show computations for all items. For example, Rent: \$150/mo x 12 months = \$1,800.

<u>Indirect:</u> Includes the indirect costs of an organization that are not readily assignable to a particular project, but are necessary to the operation of the organization and the performance of the project. The cost of operating and maintaining facilities, depreciation, and administrative salaries are examples of the types of costs that are usually treated as indirect.

5. Project Narrative

Describe the mission support unit and how the position works within the unit.

6. Required Attachments

To attach a document to your Egrants application you must type "See Attached" in the text box to enable the document attachment tool.

Please attach the following documents to your application in this section:

☐ <u>Position Descriptions</u> for each funded or partially funded position

Application Review and Award Criteria

All applications must be submitted on or before the deadline and will be screened for completeness and compliance with the instructions provided in this announcement. WEM staff will review applications to ensure consistency with statewide strategies and make funding recommendations to the Adjutant General. All final grant award decisions will be made by the Adjutant General.

Post-Award Special Conditions/Reporting Requirements

If you are awarded funds under this announcement, you will be required to provide regular progress reports. The schedule for your reports will be included in your grant award materials. At that time, please review all of your grant award special conditions and Egrants reporting requirements.

Additional Resources

Additional information about the Office of Justice Assistance and resources to assist with Egrants is available as follows:

- Wisconsin Emergency Management website: http://emergencymanagement.wi.gov/
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